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SUBJECT: SAG FOREIGN MINISTER RESPONDS TO REPORT THAT LIBEIRA

WILLING ESTABLISH DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICA

- 1. ASKED BY PRESS TO COMMENT ON REPORT THAT LIBERIAN PRESIDENT TOLBERT SAID HE PREPARED TO CONSIDER ENTERING INTO DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT "ON BASIS OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND EQUALITY," SOUTH AFRICAN FONMIN DR. HILGARD MULLER SAID IN CAPE TOWN MARCH 1: "I KNOW ABOUT THE STATEMENT. I AM AWARE OF IT, I WELCOME IT AND I HOPE THAT IT WILL LEAD TO SOMETHING BECAUSE THIS IS VERY MUCH IN LINE WITH OUR POLICY."
- 2. SPEAKING OF STATUS OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND BLACK AFRICAN COUNTRIES, MULLER SAID DIALOGUE FORCED "TO GO UNDERGROUND" UNCLASSIFIED

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BECAUSE OF ATTITUDE OF OAU. DIALOGUE NOT DEAD, HE MAINTAINED, BUT

HE WOULD "BE MUCH HAPPIER IF IT NEED NOT BE CARRIED OUT ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS IN THE CASE OF SOME CONTACTS IN AFRICA." HE SAID BECAUSE OF "INDICATIONS OF GREATER REALISM AMONG HEADS OF STATES" HE WAS "NOT UNDULY PESSIMISTIC" ABOUT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF DIALOGUE IN AFRICA.
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